

Torrance, California  
July 11, 1939

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE**

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a Regular Meeting, in the City Council, City Hall, Torrance, California on Tuesday evening, July 11, 1939 at 7:45 P.M.

Mayor Tolson called the meeting to order.

Clerk Bartlett called the roll, those answering present being Councilmen: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. Absent:

Councilmen: None.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that the minutes of a Regular Meeting held June 27, 1939 be approved as written. Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

#### WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was read from the Richfield Oil Corporation, advising no pipe laid under Franchise Ordinance No. 92 during the period January 1, to June 30, 1939.

A communication was read from The Messiah White Shrine Club of Redondo Beach, expressing appreciation for the use of the Torrance Park on June 23, 1939.

A communication was read from the Walteria Civic Association, enclosing diagram showing where lights are desired in Walteria and asking that the matter be investigated. Referred to the Lighting Committee and Street Department.

A communication was read from Wm. H. Sykes, requesting a license to install, repair, rent and operate public address equipment in the City of Torrance, with the right to use sound car on city streets for advertising purposes.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that the request be granted, with the understanding that anyone renting and operating the sound car obtain permission from the Police Department in the regular manner. Councilman Murray seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

A communication was read from Mayor Fletcher Bowron of the City of Los Angeles, inviting the Mayor and a committee to attend the Moral Re-Armament Meeting to be held on the evening of July 19 in the Hollywood Bowl. It was decided that those desiring to attend the meeting notify Mayor Tolson, as admission will be by ticket.

Engineer Young presented for final reading:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 312

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, REGULATING THE ERECTION, CONSTRUCTION, ENLARGEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, MOVING, REMOVAL, DEMOLITION, CONVERSION, OCCUPANCY, EQUIPMENT, USE, HEIGHT, AREA AND MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES IN THE SAID CITY; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS THEREFOR; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF, AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

Councilman Powell moved that further reading of Ordinance No. 312 be dispensed with. Councilman Murray seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Powell moved that Ordinance No. 312 be adopted for final reading. Councilman Murray seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that an appropriation of \$335.65 net be made for 1 park special lawn mower, \$20.00 credit being allowed for old mower, for use of the regular Park Department. Councilman Powell seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that an appropriation of \$355.05 net be made for 1 park special lawn mower for use of the Municipal

Park. Councilman Murray seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that an appropriation of \$108.52 net be made for 600 ft. 3/4" Gates theft-proof hose for the Street Department. Councilman Murray seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that an appropriation of \$4213.45 net be made for 1 Model WM Allis-Chalmers Tractor complete with Hough loader with bulldozer blade to replace old grader, \$25.00 credit being allowed for old grader. Councilman Murray seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman McGuire moved that an appropriation of \$61.59 net be made for an Underwood typewriter for the City Clerk's office, \$10.00 credit being allowed for old typewriter. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Mayor Tolson moved that an appropriation of \$100.00 be made for installation of an amplifying system in the Police and Fire Departments. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

The request by Factory Frolic officials for use of the Civic Auditorium from September 26 to October 2 inclusive, was again referred to the Building Committee.

Engineer Young reported that the request from Richard A. Turner for removal of certain lots from Fire District No. 1 will be given due consideration when the new fire zoning ordinance now in preparation is adopted.

The matter of improving the park on Madrid Street was referred again to the Park Department.

Engineer Young reported he has not drawn any plans or specifications for the library building at Waleria as yet, but will do so as soon as possible. For report at the next meeting.

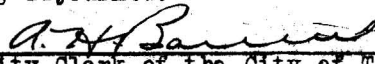
Mayor Tolson stated that Mr. Quandt had offered for sale a building in Waleria which may be suitable for a library building. He said the building is well lighted and ventilated, with a seating capacity of approximately ninety-five persons.

There was a short discussion as to the location and various facilities of the building, at which time Mr. Stanger, Library Board Trustee, pointed out the absolute necessity of proper lighting.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that the matter be referred to the Council as a Committee to investigate the offer of Mr. Quandt. Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Hitchcock moved all bills properly audited be paid. Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

At 8:10 P.M., upon motion of Councilman Hitchcock, seconded by Councilman McGuire, the meeting adjourned.

  
City Clerk of the City of Torrance

Approved:

  
Mayor of the City of Torrance